

Beacon of hope to a walling world! Shall about the starry Group ! A rift in the enerty clouds of group.

Clouds that shall roll from their beauts of light, Till the whole round dome is blue and bright.

" If may man attempts to hand down the Ameriam Plug, Shoot hisrom the spot "- Joan A. Dix.

"Democratic" Convention. The hopeful assembled at Columbus | Dalton, and operating against General last week, and in solenan conclave took Sherman in Grant's late Department, paign, we will indeed have what we have pick up stragglers where there was not counced together in regard to what including corps of Hardee, 20,000 heard so much said about, that is, a wig- more than two or three together. We measures were necessary to resurrect sent to Florida, and cavalry under Forthe burried form of the democratic rest, Richardson, Lee and Wirt Adams, Lacy argemphatically fighting men. Gen- ly destroyed. Jackson has one day been party. Dr. Olds, of "martyr" noto- 75,000; in East Tennessee, Longstreet, eral Grant told Buckner at Fort Don Ison a beautin' city, but it is played out now. riety, was one among the faithful. headquarters Bull's Gap, 20,000; De- that he would accept nothing bu "uncon-Delogates were chosen to represent the partment of the Gulf, until recently ditional surrender." He does not believe party in the Chicago convention, in headquarters at Charleston S. C., ing clean work of the robels and their over, if there is m ny more such expeditthe selection of which, there was troops at Charlesten and Savannah, much excitement. To impartial spec- 30,000; Trans-Mississippi Departtators, the democratic party appears ment, Kirby Smith commanding, Dato be dead, but those who still eling vis, Price and Holmes in Arkansas, to be dead, but these who sill cling to the name, inform us that their party is not dead, but that it is, indeed, divided and General Magruder's division in Texas, 15,000; Department of Gulf at Mobile, under General Maurice Clay-lamations and high-sounding orders, General Maurice Clayded into two wings-n war wing, and bourn, 5,000; Tatal number of troops, e al Grant has been exceedingly modest, a peace wing, and when both of these | 275,000. wings flap at the same time, two antogonistic currents of air are created, and the calmn of the political firmament is fearfully disturbed. Two sets of delegates were nominated .-- those emy still bold their old picket lines. radically for peace, like Vallandigham, and those conservatively for war, like McClellan. The war wing triumphed. Vallandigham was no longer neknowledged to be the representive. The session of the legislature prolon

were lost, millions of treasure wasted, nesty proclamation oath been the only and years of precious time consumed test, from 80,000 to 100,000 votes to no purpose. THE "Ohio Brigade," composed of the 3d, 98th, 108th, 121st, 113th, Ohio, and two Illinois regiments, is now commanded by Colonel Mitchel, of the 113th. This brigade was, until lately,

year burried Vallandigham. McClellan

commanded by General John Beatty.

By dispatches from Nashville we are informed that veteran troops are rapidly passing to the front. Nearly all of the old regiments are going back with more than their original numbers. says the Fourth New York Heavy Some of them are almost twice as Artillery is ordered to the front as large as they were when they first infantry. It numbers 2,000 men. went to the field. Sending the old RUMOR OF A GENERAL CALL FOR Brawn, regiments home to recruit was a master stroke of policy on the part of the Government. The new recruit, stand- World's Washington special has a ing by the side of the old and tried rumor that the entire organized militia soldier, will himself fight like a vet- of the North is to be called into ser-

Going South.

the North and go South when the war is over-the negroes, because it is too cold; the copperhends, because it is here this morning that the rebels under For-rest attacked Padacah, ky., fifty miles above here, yesterday, and burned part of the town.

General Lew Wallace in Command. General Lew Wullace has issued the following order on taking command at Baltimore :

dier General Henry H. Lockwood, in 2,000 or 3,000 inhahitants of the city moved the management of the affairs of this across the civer upon learning the approxidepartment. The department, as I am painfully aware, is crowded with per- The people were returning to the city and the plexities, and for that reason I pray ares dying out. The amount of public and all good men residing in it to unite and give me their earnest support, more for their own welfare than for hundred and fity rebels are reported killed,

"LEW WALLACE, Major-General U. S Volunteers.'

California Union Convention.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25 .-- The thion State Convention was organized at Sacramento vosterday, by electing Wm. II. Sears, Chairman, by 45 majority, over W. H. Parks. The latter was the anti-Conness candidate. The whole number of votes cast was 257. To-day the convention unanimously adopted a resolution praising the National Administration declaring Mr. Union State Convention was organized tional Administration, declaring Mr. number of robels were in the town. A great Linepla the first choice for the next number of shells were fired, but nobody was

hien not yet elected.

Reported Strength of the Rebe. BURNSHE'S COMMAND CONCEN-Army.

NEW YORK, March 24 .- A Baltiregiments of cavalry; 15,000 men at ing, demolishing the building. Richmond and vacinity, under Elsey; sons were slightly injured, including the en at Petersburg, Goldsboro, Wilmington sineer, Mr. Grover. and along the railroad between Richmond and Wilmington, under General Pikeett, and General Barckey, 30,000; under General Imboden, near the line of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and ginia, and guarding the line of the Great Southern Italiroad, from Lynch- middling 58c. ourg to Longstreet's pickets in East l'ennessee, under Breckinridge, 5,000.

Total under Lee's orders, 130,000. In the Department of the Southwest, General Polk commanding, headquarters Demopolis, near Selma, Ala. forces under General Joe Johnston at

Richmond Papers.

ORANGE C. H., March 21 .-- The ea-MILLEDGEVILLE, March 19 .-- The House passed, last night, Mr. Stevens' resolutions relative to habeas corpus, by 10 majority.

MILLEDGEVILLE, March 19. P. M. of the party, and the delegates elected ged until 11 o'clock to-night. The will be likely to cast their votes for House to-day reconsidered the vote on the passage of Stevens' resolution on McClellan, in the Chicago convention. the habeas corpus, by the casting Vacy well; let McClellan be nominated, vote of the speaker. and the loyal people of the country Macon, March 19 .-- \$8,550,000 will burry him deeper beneath their have been funded on 4 per cent, bonds

ballots than the people of Ohio last up to to-night. The Tennessee Election.

has made a record for himself which recommending the election of Judge returns from twenty-four counties of to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to assemble at Columbus, me though we were no rely two hundred to a convention to a Woodward to succeed Governor Curtin Tennessee, in which 20,246 votes were on Widnesday, the 25th day of May next, at cleven o'clock, A. M., for the in Pennsylvania, can not be forgotten; polled. The Union says: We believe that elections were held nor can the people forget his impoin at least one of the districts of every tent management of the Potomac army, county in the State; and had there by which tens of thousands of lives been mail facilities, and had the amwould have been polled. As it is, the

THE WAR.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC. New York, March 25 .- The Tribune's Washington special says. A Veterans Returning to the Front. great number of ambulances have gone to the front. An order has been issued allowing

officers and privates of the Invalid Veteran Corps The Herald's Washington special

THE MILITIA.

NEW YORK, March 26 .- The vice for six months, to hold certain points during the campaign against Richmond, which is about to com-

Two classes of persons will leave PADUCAH SACKED AND BURNED BY FORREST.

[From the Associated Press.] Caigo, March 25 - Reports are circulated The steamer latan from Kashville, which ed Paducah at five o'clock this morning. and the Joseph Pierce which passed two of 5,000, captured the place at two o'clock vesterday afternoon and sucked and fired the "I hereby assume commend of the Eighth Army Corps and of the Middle Department, exclusive of Fort Delaware. The public will join me, in acknowledging the zeal and rare ability shown by my predecessor, B igadiar George Henry II. Lockwood in 2000 as 3000 inhabitants of the city moved

I the rebels. When the Pierce pass clock in the morning the enemy had left. among them Gen. Thompson. Twenty-five touses around the fort were destroyed by our roops, they were being used as screens for rebel sharpshooters. The headquarters and Government storehouses were burned by the

Carno, March 27.—Dispatches from Columtween that place and Mayfield. Their forces are in a crippled condition. Their strength

President, and indorsing Messrs, Louet.

Conness, Highy, Shannon and Cale the Congressional delegation of Calitown, but the rebuls had fled. They belonged fornia. A separate resolution in honor of the memory of the Rev. Thomas Starr King was adopted by a silent standing vote.

Delegates to the Baltimore Convention and seven of his guerrillas, near Mayfield. Ev. Mayfield, Ky.

TRATING AT ANNAPOLIS.

New York, March 27 .- Ten regiments of Burnside's command are now at Annapolis.

A fetter from Pass Gavallo, Texas, datel

divisions of infantry, 70,000 men, 250 A Providence, Rhode Island, dispatch re-

PROM MEMPHIS AND VICESBURG. MEMPHIS, March 24. - Major Wm. P. Norris, Paymaster in the army and a citizen of Phil-adelphia, died here on the 22d.

Generals Grant and Eberman.

Grant d es not issue proclamations. He le ves such bus ness for others. He fights There has been, in this war, an intolerable amount of military hombast, commencing with the McCle lan campaign in Western most important points to the rebels in the or rather, we might say, exceedingly sensible, especially as compared with some Additional Dispatches fron the of his shoulder-strapped brothers. He we were about in one days march of the is a man of acts, not words. He is a place, General Sherman sent back word so dier, a great, loyal soldii r, who, by services rendered in the field, has lifted himself to the highest military position in the government. With Sherman in the strike a match to it and see it go up. On we t. and Grant in the east, and our arm- the evening we arrived there, a f-rage paries well filled up with new recruits, we may expect that the present year will see the final collapse of the "great insurrect

Union State Convention.

STATE UNION CENTRAL COMMITTEE. Columbus, O., March 22, 1864. The undersigned, representing th Union organization in the State of Ohio, hereby invite all qualified voters of the State, who desire the unconditional main- it, so soon s they got ho they would hend tenance of the Union, the supremacy of about half double. After we had comthe Constitution, and the complete sup cause thereof, by vigorous war and all Vicksburg. The order to march in the purpose of selecting four delegates and hausted, but as soon as we started back f June next, to nominate candidates f President and Vice President of the Uni-

The Convention will also nominate can didates for the following offices: number will reach from 40,000 to 50,-Secretary of State. Judge of the Supreme Court-full Judge of the Supreme Court in place f Judge Hunter, resigned.

Judge of the Supreme Court, in place Judge Ghol-on, re-igned. Attorney-General. Comptroller of the Treasury; and

One member of the Board of Public The Convention will consist of one del- ing along. There was any amount of them egate for every four hundred votes cast and they generally came in big wagons, for Governor Brough at the last State election, and one additional delegate for Corps fit for active duty, to enter the each fraction of we bundred or upward, as per the following list;

6 Licking,

6 Lorgain, 16 Lucas, & Madison. Athens, 4 Mahoning, 10 Marion, 8 Medina, 9 Meigs, 5 Mercer 8 Miami, 10 Monroe, 9 Montgomery 8 Morgan 6 Muskingum 5 Noble, 27 Ostawa, 3 Perry, 8 Pickway, 9 Pike, 7 Portage, 5 Preble, Franklin, 12 Patnam, 5 Richland, 7 Ross, 8 Sandusky, 6 Shark 5 Summit S.Tuscarawas 8 Union, 4 Van Wert,

11 Warren, 5 Washington 8 Williams. 8 Wyandot, Lawrence, The Union voters in each Congressional Districts are requested to select two delegates and two alternates to the National Union Convention, at such time and place s may be agreed upon ; but if such dele- CLOTHS. antes shall not be selected before the meeting of the State Convention on the with of May, then the delegates to that convention will select such de egates to the National Union Convention, for their

3 Vinion,

tive districts. The Committee would suggest that the Cou ty Couventions for selecting delegains to the Stat- Convention be held on Saturday the 14th of May.

W. DENNISON, Chairman, J. J. JANNEY, Sec. and Tr. G. VOLNEY DORSEY, SAMUEL GALLOWAY, G. N. OLDS. B. N. GEARY, T. H. WHSTON, 1st. Dist.

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JOHN C. GRANNIS, 18th "

HORACE Y. BEEBE, 19th V

Central

Letter from Vicksburg.

We have received for publication, the following letter, written at Vicksburg, by Office, on Main Street, epp. Court House.

The Sday, March 29, 1864.

The S war, and has been in some of the hardpieces of artillery, 5,000 men in 15 ports a boller explosion in the Providence and regiments of cavalry: 15,000 men at Vicksburg March 7, 1864.

We started fom Vicksburg on the 2nd of February; that night we camped on the FRENCH, other side of big Black. The next day we started out bright and early, but had Advices from Vick-burg of the 17th fur is not gone far before we found some r bein of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and in Northern Virginia, 5,000; from Lynchburg to Abingdon in South Virginia, and counting of the portion of the contents was saved.

Advited from Yakadag of the brick railroad depot at Vicksburg was entirely destroyed by fire a few days since. A large
spinia and counting the line of the the way of us, which did all the skirm-The Memphis cotton market is dail. Good our turn to go in advance and the r bs appeared to be thicker than ever, but we drove ahead as though there was nothing in the way. We marched eighteen miles that day, most of the time in line of bat- Ladies' Dress Goods With General Grant in the east, and the fighting all the way. After that we General Sherman in the west, the loyal were not bothered with the rebeany more people of the nation may rest assured of with the exceptions of small squads of the fact, that in the approaching cam- cavalry, which made it their business to There will be a great demand for carpenters here in the south when the war is miserable jumble of states. General jons as ours has been. We burned five or six towns on the trip, and all the fences

we could hear of.

We finally reached Meridan, one of the whole confederacy. Its railroads conneet with almost every other place in the south of any impatince. We expected to have to fight them there sure, but when that Meridan was evacuated. Of course all we had to do was to march in, and ty was sent out to get a me fora e for the horses and mue's. They went out about four miles and were attacked by a squad of rebels which succeeded in capturing one quartermaster and six men, two of whom belonged to our company. We KID, SILK, AND LISLE GLOVES. stayed at Meridan foor days and were busy all the time destroying railroads. We fore them up and piled the cross ties in piles and laid the railing on top and fired pleted our work, we started back towards miles frem it and our supplies nearly exthe city of Baltimore, on the 7th day not lack for any thing to cat. The country was full of the best of meat and corn menl; we were a little particular to what kind of meat we took; we generally took ham. We came back by the way of Canton, the most basut ful town I have ever seen in the south. We stayed there three days and just cleared the country of every thing. The people had run all their provisions to the swamps, but they had forgotten to fill up their tracks, consequently we tricked them up and just uppr printed their truck to our use. But the gay at thing I saw were n gross com

> were out just one month. Exposition of

and each wagon would have thirty or for-

ty little nigs in it. The boys said they

saw one wagon with sixty in it. I think

they overe-timat dita little. We arrived at

Vicksburg on the fourth nstant. We

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